

## Shipping.

**Steamers.**

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**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,**  
**LIMITED.**

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**FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.**

The Co.'s Steamship  
*Captain Gares* will be  
dispatched for the above  
Ports on **SUNDAY**, the 28th Instant, at  
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**DOUGLAS LAPRACK & Co.,**  
*General Managers.*

Hongkong, July 26, 1899. 1454

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**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

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**FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.**

The Co.'s Steamship  
*Interior*,  
*Captain Gares*, will be  
dispatched as above on  
**SUNDAY**, the 28th Instant.

Passengers for Europe desiring to proceed  
OVERLAND, can, on application to the Under-  
secretary, have the Ticket endorsed for  
transit through the Suez Canal in exchange for Canton

Tickets to MARSEILLES (by Transatlantic Company's express boats), and thence to PARIS or LONDON. Algiers is 28 hours steam from Marseilles, and thence to London occupies about the same time.

**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**  
*Agents.*  
Hongkong, July 22, 1889. 1430

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBE.  
(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)  
The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s  
Steamship  
Ancora.  
will leave for the above  
places on TUESDAY, 30th Instant, at  
Daylight.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,  
Hongkong, July 19, 1889. 1412

**EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN  
STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.**

**FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND  
ADELAIDE.**

*(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENS-  
LAND PORTS, and taking through  
Cargo to NEW ZEALAND,*

The Steamship  
Tannadice,  
Captain CHAM, will be  
despatched for the above  
Ports on TUESDAY, the 30th Instant, at  
4 p.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to


RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 18, 1889. 1401

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**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR TIENTSIN VIA SWATOW.  
The Co.'s Steamship

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 Captain SELLAR, will be despatched as above on **TUESDAY**, the 30th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
LARDNER & SONS, 21, FINE COURT, LONDON, E.C.

General Managers.  
Hongkong, July 26, 1889. 1456


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FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.



 The Steamship  
**Port Caroline,**  
 STURROCK, Commander,  
 will be despatched for the  
 above Port about the 30th Instant.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 12, 1889. 1356

FOR YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND  
NAGASAKI.  
The Co.'s Steamship


 Captain JACKSON, will be  
 despatched as above on  
**WEDNESDAY, the 31st Instant.**  
 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**RITTERFIELD & SWIRE**


Agents.  
Hongkong, July 23, 1889. 143  
**SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS:**  
FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG

 The Steamship  
*Merionethshire*,  
Captain DOWLING, will  
be despatched for the  
above Ports on the 1st Proximo

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 23, 1889. 144

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

The Steamship  
*Westmeath*,  
STONEHOUSE, Comander  
will be despatched for



For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 26, 1889.

**Sailing Vessels.**  
**FOR NEW YORK.**

Richard Parsons,  
THORNHILL, Master, will load  
here for the above Port, and  
will have quick despatch.  
For Freight, apply to

1445 HONGKONG, JULY 25, 1893. 145  
RUSSELL & Co.

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## GOLD FIELDS OF SIAM (LIMITED).

With reference to the Gold Fields of Siam Co., Limited, now on his way to Europe, that the prospects of the company are considered bright, the only steady point being the labour question, as great difficulty is experienced in obtaining a plentiful supply of coolies. The company's concessions cover about thirty-six to forty square miles on a slope about the level of the sea. As we have mentioned before, in this ground there are numerous pits that have been worked by the natives for over a century, but during the last few years these pits have been abandoned. The cause of abandonment is scarcely known; it may have been due to the frequent sickness of the coolies, or the cause may be assigned to the dangers arising from the many landslides following every heavy downfall of rain. These pits extend over sixteen square miles of ground, and at the present time the working is delayed owing to the lack of water. To overcome this difficulty the company intend making a tributary of the river which is about eight miles away, so as to run the water right into the place where it is required. This operation, although looking so formidable, will only entail an outlay of about 2000 or say 4,000 dollars. The survey for this work will be finished in a very short time, when this important step will at once be commenced. The pits are all said to be rich in gold, in fact the country in nearly every spot is said to bear traces of this valuable mineral. A rich gold-bearing river, running fairly straight in N. and S. direction, has been discovered on the slope. At the present time the company have coolies at work damming the river in its deepest place in order that it may be ascertained whether or not it would pay to work it for gold. As far as

they have gone now, gold has been found in payable quantities, but about three weeks will see this portion of the company's operations concluded. When the survey is finished and the water is brought on the alluvial ground, the working of this alone is expected to be sufficient to bring to the shareholders a good return on their outlay. The difficulty is with the labour. The company have now about 250 coolies at work, but none of them can be depended upon to remain. Siamese and Laos coolies are preferred on account of their being more accustomed to the climate than the Chinese. There is one of the latest American (five) stamps on the ground awaiting labour for erection, and we are given to understand that sixty more head of stamps have been ordered. The present anticipations about the shares are largely based on the expected report regarding the washings of the embanked river.

We believe, but this is not from M. Sig, that the coolies have an inconvenient habit of dying.

Next day our contemporary writes:—With regard to the statements in yesterday's paper regarding the Siam Goldfields (Limited), M. Sig points out that our reporter erred in describing the former workings as having been abandoned some years ago. The workings are of the ancient type, and their abandonment dates back more than 150 years ago. M. Sig says that the health of the coolies employed is good, and that there have been no deaths for many months.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO NEWS.  
(B. N. Herald, 1st July.)

The weather this year has been a little disappointing to the tobacco planters. On the East Coast we understand that it was intended to make July the planting month.

and operations were delayed in consequence. It is now found out that December is the better time. In the middle of the year, rain interfered with the planting work. Each district apparently has its own rainfall peculiarities, and we are now beginning to understand. Planters should recognize this, and should take measures to be in time. Unfortunately, sometimes this knowledge comes too late, and the closing of the first German Borneo Company and the Chinese Sabah Company's estates is almost entirely due to this.

A Roman Catholic priest will shortly be stationed at Labuan, a want much felt by the faithful in this colony, and should Father Jackson carry out his present plan, he will also make Labuan his headquarters and begin his dearly cherished work there—the opening of a training College for native youths.

We understand that the German Borneo Company have decided upon closing their Tobacco Estate at Sulu, and that Mr. Meyer, its manager, is leaving. The operations of this Company at Sulu have been attended with the usual difficulties of a new and isolated enterprise, and the venture cannot have been a success. The coolies employed were never satisfactorily overcome, and it would appear that the coolies themselves had decided what steps to take to settle that matter, as they lately burnt down two tobacco sheds containing crops and, it is said, intended to murder Mr. Meyer. It is while trying to put out the fire, the assistance given by the Spanish authorities is negative; they do not wish to be bothered, and the presence of a German Tobacco Company, intended to murder Mr. Meyer, is a visit of a German man-of-war is a pleasant break in the otherwise calm, uneventful life of the Commandant and his subordinate officers. Captain Schuck is

dead, Mr. Meyer is leaving, and the Spanish authorities can now congratulate themselves on having the island to themselves, as much of it as is contained in the walls of their fort, while the remainder is occupied by the lawless Sulus. A lovely island, from its now extinct volcano one can look down on meadow lands and fruit gardens, and can scarcely realize that the only outcome of native prodigious richness has been lawlessness, piracy and murder.

We note that the export of timber continues slowly, if slowly. We ourselves observed some logs floating out of the Bay only lately.

We learn from a report made by the Land Officer that the surveys of some 150 miles of river have been completed showing allotments of sold lands to the extent of 215,000 acres.

News has been received in Darvel Bay from the new Chinese miners now working on the Upper Saram. They had reached the river safely by Mr. Skerthly's track, and sent back their Malay guide's traces, and a fresh supply of stores from Siam. Their messenger stated their health to be satisfactory, and that before he left them they had succeeded in finding small quantities of gold of a fairly character. The contractor has finished twenty miles of the track, and has undertaken to improve it and make clearings for pasturing pack animals at intervals of five miles.

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## SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, Saturday Noon, 27th July, 1889.

STOCKS.	No. of Shares.	Par Value.	Dividend.	Position per Last Report.	CASE QUOTATIONS.	
					When Paid.	Closing.
Banks.						
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	1864	7,500,000	60,000	125	all	4,300,000
Marine Insurance Co., Ltd.	1867	2,500,000	10,000	250	25	600,000
China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd.	1867	2,000,000	24,000	83.33	25	650,000
North China Insurance Co., Ltd.	1867	1,000,000	6,000	200	60	3,320,000
Yangtze Insur. Association, Ltd.	1867	200,000	8,000	25	all	75,914.31
Chinese Insurance Co., Ltd.	1871	1,500,000	1,500	1,000	200	26,711.50
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	1881	2,500,000	19,000	250	50	304,000
Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.	1886	3,000,000	30,000	100	20	115,000
Fire Insurances.						
Hongkong Fire Insur. Co., Ltd.	1868	2,000,000	8,000	250	50	1,031,486
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	1870	2,000,000	20,000	100	20	650,000
Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	1886	2,000,000	20,000	100	20	13,000
Fire and Marine Insurances.						
Singapore Insurance Co., Ltd.	1884	4,000,000	40,000	100	20	11,875.91
Docks.						
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	1869	1,500,000	12,500	125	all	1,005.71
Steam-Boats.						
(C) Hongkong & Canton Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	1865	800,000	40,000	20	all	17,000.22
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	1882	1,200,000	60,000	10	all	1,022.63
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	1883	1,000,000	20,000	50	all	211,060.19
China & Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	1888	175,000	3,500	50	all	45,000
Steam Launch Company, Ltd.	1888	100,000	2,000	50	30	Dr. 99.80
Refineries.						
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	1878	1,500,000	15,000	100	all	12,100.07
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	1882	700,000	7,000	100	all	Dr. 16,466.45
Wharves.						
Hongkong & Canton Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	1866	1,700,000	17,000	100	all	2,755.26
Land.						
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Company, Ltd.	1889	5,000,000	50,000	100	50	1,250,000
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Ltd.	1889	300,000	6,000	50	30	—
Tramways.						
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Limited	1887	120,000	1,200	100	50	—
Mining.						
Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	1889	225,000	45,000	5	—	—
Selangor Tin Mining Co., Ltd.	1889	575,000	115,000	5	—	—
Penang & Bungeia Dug S. S. Co., Ltd.	1886	600,000	60,000	10	all	—
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	1888	1,000,000	8,000	500	—	—
Planting, &c.						
East Borneo Planting Co., Ltd.	1888	200,000	4,000	50	25	—
Songel Koyah Planting Co., Ltd.	1888	250,000	5,000	50	25	—
Labuk Planting Co., Ltd.	1888	250,000	5,000	50	25	—
Darvel Bay Trading Co., Ltd.	1889	100,000	4,000	50	25	—
Hotels, Buildings, &c.						
Hongkong Hotel Co., Limited	1866	300,000	3,000	100	all	825.50
Austin Arms Hotel & Building Co., Limited	1888	200,000	4,000	50	25	—
Borneo Hotel & Stores Co., Ltd.	1888	50,000	1,000	50	30	—
Peak Hotel & Trading Co., Ltd.	1889	200,000	4,000	50	30	—
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	1889	625,000	12,500	50	30	—
Dispensaries.						
(A) A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	1886	500,000	50,000	10	all	8140.000
Cruikshank & Co., Limited	1888	80,000	1,600	50	all	10,000
Lighting.						
Hongkong & China Cold Storage Co., Ltd.	1884	50,000	5,100	10	all	10,843.77
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	1889	300,000	3,000	100	25	1,711.19.11
Brick and Cement.						
Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited	1886	100,000	4,000	25	17.50	—
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	1889	1,000,000	10,000	50	50	—
Miscellaneous.						
Hongkong Ice Co., Limited	1881	125,000	6,000	25	all	48,000
H'kong & China Bakery Co., Ltd.	1872	30,000	600	50	all	184.16
H.K. Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	1883	150,000	3,000	50	all	12,000
Deary Farm Co., Limited	1886	30,000	3,000	10	all	9,602.54
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1886	12,000	1,200	10	all	390.25
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	1889	150,000	6,000	25	25	—
A. G. Gordon & Co., Limited	1889	150,000	6,000	25	20	—
Marineburg Furniture Co., Ltd.	1889	75,000	3,000	25	20	—

Loans to Imperial Chinese Government.	Agents for the Loan.	Amount of Loan.	Par Value of Bonds.	Rate of Interest.	When Payable.	Closing Quotations.
Chinese Imperial Govt. Silver Loan 1894	Hongkong Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$1,394,700.14 H'kong Currency.	\$400 H'kong Currency.	3% per annum	30 June each year until 1899	3% prem.
Chinese Imperial Govt. Silver Loan 1894	Do.	\$1,594,700.14 H'kong Currency.	\$400 H'kong Currency.	3% per annum	15 Oct. 1899	3% prem.
Chinese Imperial Govt. 7 per Cent. Silver Loan 1896	Do.	Shanghai Tls. 787,200.	Shanghai Tls. 250.	7% per annum	31st March and 30th Sept. each year until 31st March 1911	14% prem.
Debentures.						
Hongkong Hotel Co. Mortgage Debentures 1889	—	\$400,000	\$500	6% prem.	Half-yearly on 19th April and 19th October	\$501

(\*) Equalization of Dividend Fund.—(†) Depreciation and Insurance Fund.—(‡) On 1st instant the capital of this Company was doubled by the issue of 40,000 new shares at 75% premium. This premium, amounting to \$600,000, has been added to Depreciation and Insurance Fund, which stands at \$935,000.—(§) Capital increased on 23rd May last from \$350,000 to \$500,000 by issue of 12,000 new shares at 100% premium. This premium of \$120,000 has been placed to Permanent Reserve Fund, which now stands at \$140,000.

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3-STORY HOUSES, Nos. 37 & 43, WANAN. Rents moderate.  
Apply to  
YEE HING,  
No. 5, Wanai.  
Hongkong, July 16, 1889. 1385

TO LET.  
2nd FLOOR OF HOUSE, No. 64, and GROUND FLOOR OF HOUSE No. 65, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.  
Apply to  
LAI HING & Co.,  
No. 153, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, July 1, 1889. 1287

TO LET.  
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